TIES WORLD RECORD

Villanova Hurdler Runs 13.2

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KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—Erv Hall knew he would be one of the favorites in the NCAA high hurdles off his silver medal finish in the Olympic Games. But he had been bothered all year with injuries, so all he wanted to do in Thursday's prelims was "look decent."

He certainly did.

Running against a 1.5 m.p.h. wind, the Villanova senior equaled the world record of 13.2 in his heat of the national eoligiate track and field championship meet over the Tartan surface of Tennessee's Tom Black Track.

Hall's feat, which matched previous marks by West Germany's Martin Lauer in 1959, Lee Calhoun in 1960 and USC's Earl McCullouch in 1967, highlighted a series of outstanding qualifying efforts performed under ideal Dixie weather conditions.

"I didn't feel like I was in that good shape," said Hall with a puzzled, but delighted smile, "I thought it felt more like 13.4. I

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wasn't sure what I would do after my injury two weeks ago when I pulled a muscle in my trail leg. I have really had an injuryplagued year and I just wanted to look decent today.

Only one final was held Thursday with Frank Shorter, a Yale pre-med student, running — and winning — the first six-

mile race he ever entered in 29:00.2. Kansas led all qualifiers with 11 men advancing in 12 events, followed by San Jose State with 8 and USC

UCLA and Tennessee with 7 each. Defending champion USC survived a mental lapse by Herman Fran-klin, who stopped about three yards short of the finish line in the 440 hurdles while running ea-sily in second place. Her-man continued walking toward the tape, still not

knowing he had yet to finish, and he barely strolled across ahead of fifth-place non-qualifier Bob McLellan of Califor-

Franklin Zips 13.6 Franklin earlier had the second fastest high hurdle

clocking, 13.6, the best of his career officially. The Trojans' Fred Kuller, a place winner in both sprints 2 years ago was a finished sophomore, fourth in both his 100 and 220 heats to miss qualifying for today's semis

Little Rich Coulter ran 9.5 the same time as Kuller, to gain a berth in the semis. Lennox Miller, USC's Olympic silver medalist and defending champion in the 100, looked impressive with a 9.4 heat win,

but barely held on to qualify in the 220 with a third-place 20.9 The other USC qualifiers are Olympic champion Bob Seagren in the pole vault and Tom Colich in the shot. Colich stood fifth

in the prelims at 59-812. Pacific - 8 champion UCLA received a strong performance from sprinter Reggie Robinson, who is a close-up second in 9.4 to Kansas' Mickey Mathews in the 100 and a 20.7 heat

winner in the 200 The Bruins also quali-fied two defending NCAA champions, pole vaulter ter Steve Marcus, whose throw of 61-9 1/4 was good for second behind favored

Karl Salb of Kansas, who reached 63-9 1/4